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THE SENATE OF MARYLAND
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Vote Yes on Senate Bill 616

Bill Title: Baltimore City - Soil Conservation District - Authority to Establish

Hearing Date: April 1, 2021

Chair, Vice Chair and members of the committee:

I write to you today in **support** of Senate Bill 616. Soil conservation is the process taken to protect our soil from degradation. With the lack of soil conservation, not only would our agriculture suffer, but also our water supply would be severely impacted. Biodiversity and water is dependent on soil and land.

The purpose of this Bill is to authorize and establish a Baltimore City Soil Conservation District with continued boundaries corresponding with those of the City. The establishment of a Soil Conservation District would allow for the improvement of water quality and to save taxpayers dollars, among other things.

If enacted, Senate Bill 616 would take effect on October 1, 2021.

In efforts to protect Baltimore's environment and natural resources, we hope that you will move for a **favorable** report of Senate Bill 616.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Cory V. McCray".

Cory V. McCray
State Senator